

House Resolution No. 1779

Whereas, it is a special pleasure for the members of the Missouri House of Representatives to acknowledge the life and lifetime achievements of one of the Show-Me State's most beloved senior citizens; and

Whereas, Frances L. Murray, a treasured resident of St. Clair, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her One Hundredth Birthday on May 8, 2004, with a festive celebration to be held at the St. Clair Nursing Center; and

Whereas, Frances Murray came into this world on a farm east of Gerald on May 6, 1904, as the tiny infant daughter born to proud and loving parents William Henry and Anna Paulene Vossbrink, who welcomed her into their hearts as a precious gift from God; and

Whereas, Frances Murray received her high school education and embarked upon a new and exciting chapter in her life when she married her beloved Monte Bryan Murray, a kind and caring gentleman with whom she shared the love and affection of three fine children; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, exemplary homemaker, and talented seamstress, Frances Murray enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself through affiliation with the Union P.E.O., the Union First Presbyterian Church, and the American Legion Post 297 Ladies Auxiliary, of which she is a charter member; and

Whereas, Frances Murray has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include her devoted husband, Monte Bryan Murray; her three children, Dorothy Mae Ryan, Mary Margaret Mills (deceased), and Monte B. Murray, Jr.; and her six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, now one hundred years young, Frances Murray faces the beginning of each day with renewed hope and happiness and continues to lead a good Christian life, sharing her experiences and exciting stories of times gone by with those she holds most dear:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and birthday greetings to Frances Murray as she proudly celebrates one hundred years of achievement, and in wishing her much peace and prosperity as she continues her journey along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri Centenarian Frances L. Murray, as a mark of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
Representative Brian Nieves
District No. 98

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1779, adopted April 15, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker